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FOLLOWING SENT ACTION NEW DELHI FROM CALCUTTA APR 7, 1977
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E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: MORG, IN, UR
SUBJ: ASSIGNMENT OF INDIAN OFFICERS TO USSR FOR TRAINING

1. EASTERN COMMAND OFFICER WHO IS BEING TRANSFERRED NEXT
WEEK TO A COMMAND IN MAHARASTRA TELLS US THAT ORDERS FOR A
NUMBER OF OFFICERS FROM EASTERN COMMAND WHO WERE BEING SENT
TO THE USSR FOR WEAPONS TRAINING HAVE RECENTLY BEEN CAN-
CELLED. CANCELLATION HAS BEEN BY THE SOVIETS, NOT RPT NOT
BY GOI. ASKED IF THESE CANCELLATIONS WERE ONLY FOR OFFICERS
FROM EASTERN COMMAND, SOURCE STATED THAT HE DID NOT KNOW
FOR SURE BUT HE BELIEVED THE ACTION WAS GENERAL; THE REASON
GIVEN BY THE SOVIETS WAS "LOGISTIC DIFFICULTIES." OFFICERS
WHO ARE SENT TO RUSSIA ARE PRIMARILY TRAINING OFFICERS WHO
ARE EXPECTED TO KNOW HOW TO MAINTAIN AND TACTICALLY USE
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RUSSIAN EQUIPMENT SO THAT THEY IN TURN CAN TRAIN INDIAN
OFFICERS AND ENLISTED MEN IN INDIA.

2. SOURCE THOUGHT THIS ACTION BY SOVIETS WAS RESULT OF DIS-
PLEASURE OVER OUTCOME OF INDIAN ELECTIONS. SOURCE WONDERED
IF THE RUSSIANS WHO HE SAID ARE AWARE OF THE PRO-WESTERN
BIAS OF THE OFFICER CADRE, WERE AFRAID THAT THEY WOULD BE

THROWN OUT OF INDIA AS THEY HAD BEEN FROM EGYPT. IN THIS CONNECTION HE MENTIONED THAT A COMMON COMPLAINT OF INDIAN OFFICERS SENT TO THE USSR WAS THAT THEY WERE NOT BEING SHOWN EVERYTHING. RECENT PRIVATE LETTERS WRITTEN HOME SINCE THE ELECTIONS BY INDIAN OFFICERS ON TRAINING ASSIGNMENTS IN USSR SAY THAT WHILE BEFORE THEY WERE ALWAYS "STANDING BY" TO LEARN THINGS NOW THEY ARE "STANDING DOWN."

3. SOURCE ALSO STATED HIS OFFICER GROUP, MAJORS AND LT. COLS., WERE VERY PLEASED WITH THE OUTCOME OF THE ELECTIONS. SIGNED KORN
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